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\$1.50 Per Year in Advance.

- Quality Merchandise -

Quite a few nice Spring lines are in already. You will appreciate the better quality, and the much more reasonable price of these goods this Spring.

"Prue" Brand Shirtings, Galateas, and Chambrays. Nice firm weaves and good fast colors, reasonably priced at per yard, 35c.

We have just received a nice range of "Pick Juniors", Overalls and combinations for the little chaps. These are all made up from the famous "Stifel"

Drills and are reasonable indeed at \$1.25 pair up.

A nice new range of Women's Silk Hose in black, brown and white for the reasonable price of \$1.60 a pair.

A last whack at what little winter stuff is left. What you need in them we will save you money on.

Mens Fleece-lined Underwear, per garment \$1.25
Mens Fleece combinations 2.25
Mens heavy wool combinations 3.35
Mens Wool Sweaters reg \$13.50, \$7.95
Mens mixed Sweaters reg. \$6.00, \$4.00
Mens Heavy flannel shirts 2.85
Mens heavy Mackinaw shirts 6.00
Mens Heavy Mackinaw Jackets \$12.75

Mitts, Rubbers, Overshoes, Sox, Hose Flannellettes, and Flannels.

Children's Underwear, Caps Toques etc. Everyone piled on the Bargain Counter. To save money compare our prices before you buy.

J. C. McFARLAND & CO.

Should Homesteaders Own Interest in Oil Rights?

Noticing among last Saturday's press reports from Ottawa, an article which we believe is of great interest to every land owner in the Irma district, The Times has written the following letter to Mr. W. J. Blair, M. P. local representative for the federal house.

W. J. Blair M. P.
House of Commons,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Blair,

We notice in recent press reports from Ottawa, that Brigadier-General W. A. Grisbach of Edmonton, intends introducing two important resolutions re oil rights. We believe large number of the electors of your constituency will be greatly interested in seeing these resolutions pass the house. One of these resolutions proposes to give the owner of surface rights, one-sixteenth of the oil found under homestead or other land owned by him, provided the owner of such surface rights had made homestead or other entry prior to the date of application for oil leases.

The other resolution refers to the moving of records to Edmonton and placing a competent officer and staff of the Department of Interior in charge. As the present regulations grant no chance of revenue (except nominal rental) to the homesteader, we ask you on behalf of the homesteaders of your constituency to give these resolutions your earnest support.

Yours very truly,
IRMA TIMES,

Per H. W. Love.

In the older settled parts of Canada the Crown when granting patents reserved only gold and precious stones but in recent years coal, oil, and gas have been reserved so that most of the oil rights in the Irma district are still held by the Crown or by parties who have secured leases for the same. Most of the homesteaders in Ontario and those in the older settled parts of Manitoba hold the oil rights as well as surface rights and the revenue from some of the small oil wells in western Ontario are paying fine incomes.

In the newer settled parts of the West all the land owner can expect to receive is a nominal revenue for the actual

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LOCAL NEWS

Miss Rebekah Coker is visiting Mrs. T. Shaw.

Mr. C. G. Purvis, of Viking, was a visitor in town Monday.

Mr. J. Watson attended County meeting of Orange Lodges at Edgerton Monday night.

Mr. J. B. E. Mahiot is making arrangements for the construction of a new theatre and hall for Irma.

The Council of the Municipal District of Battle River met Tuesday. Minutes of the meeting will be published next week.

The next regular meeting of the UFWA will be held at the home of Mrs. P. J. Hardy Thursday, March 3.

The Ladies of the Irma Agricultural Society and the Ladies of the G.W.V.A. are serving lunch 4 to 6 P. M. every Saturday in the G. W. V. A. Club rooms.

The Irma school board is asking the trustees of schools adjacent to Irma to meet them Wednesday afternoon, March 24th to discuss consolidation and other matters.

WANTED—Teacher for the Albert S. D. No. 2358, holding first or second class certificate. Female preferred. Duties to commence March 1st. Apply stating salary to W. D. Ramsey, Sec'y-Treas. Irma Alta. 3tc.

The U. F. W. A. entertainment on Friday, February 26th, the Roseberry U. F. W. A. will hold an entertainment in the Roseberry school. A good programme is promised so keep that date open and come and enjoy it.

Nominations for three Councillors for the Municipal District of Battle River, No. 423 will be held next Monday at 2 P. M. at the Municipal office. Divisions No. 3, 5 and 6 will be open for nominations. The present Councillors are, Div. 3, J. A. McDonald; Div. 5, W. S. Steel; Div. 6, Chas. Eggar. Take an interest in your division and attend the public meeting at above time.

BUY FROM US FOR LESS

A REAL SALE

We are going to put on a Special Sale from **Feb. 15** to the end of the month—for Cash Only.

EVERY LINE THAT WILL STAND IT REDUCED IN PRICE.

No Goods charged at Special Prices.

DON'T ASK FOR CREDIT.

MENS UNDERWEAR

Shirts and Drawers were \$2.25 each, your choice for **\$1.00 each**
Mens all wool Combinations, were \$6.00, reduced to **\$4.50**
Mens heavy Combinations, were \$4.90, reduced to **\$3.50**
Boys Wool Underwear, were \$1.50, reduced to **\$1.00 each**
Boys Fleece Underwear, were \$1.00, reduced to **65c**

Mens Sweater Coats

We had at regular prices some of the best values shown anywhere. But to clear them out we will give you **20 P.C. discount.**

Boys Clothing

Boys Suits reduced to cost.
Boys Pants all sizes per pair, **\$2.50**
Boys Sweaters at net cost.

Mens Overalls

Blue and blue strip while the present stock lasts you may have them for **\$2.50 per pair.**

Mens Fur Coats

Buy one now and save **\$15.00**, we will reduce the price that much on any coat left.

Mens Suits

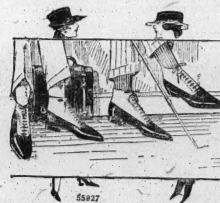
If you need a suit for spring we'll make you a present of **\$10.00** off the regular price, or in other words, you can buy a fur coat and suit for **\$25.00 less than the regular price.**

Mens Shirts



BIG REDUCTIONS IN ALL LINES.

Boots and Shoes



Mens fine shoes, **\$2.00 per pair** off any pair in the store.
Mens Heavy Shoes.
New stock or old stock, **\$2.00 per pair less than reg. price.**

Groceries

Our regular prices are so close that we cannot make as big a cut as some stores but if you compare these lines you will see we are giving you a big saving.

Roll Oats, 8 lbs for..... 45c
Roll Oats, 20 lbs for 90c
Evaporated Apples 3 lb pk 60c
Choice Prunes, 5 lb pkg for 95c
Black Figs, 5 lb pkg for \$1.00
Edwardsburg Syrup 10lb pail 1.25
Best Tomatoes per tin 20c
per case \$4.50

Best Corn, per tin 20c
per case 4.35
Choice whitefish per tin 15c
Pink Salmon per tin 20c
Corn Flakes 9 pkgs for \$1.00
50 lbs Block Salt 1.00 or 5 for \$5
50 lb Bags Salt 1.20 or 5 for 5.50

Flour

We have some damaged sacks. Flour is good but the sacks are torn. While they last 98 lb for \$5.00. We are putting on this sale ourselves and giving you all the benefit of small expense so come along and get your supplies. Don't allow others to make you think they can meet our prices, because they won't.

Special on Overshoes

High laced line, sizes 6, 7, and 8 only, regular \$3.90 for **\$2.50**
Other lines at net cost.
Mens Heavy Rubbers at net cost.

Ladies Wear

Big selection new Ginghams, some stores sold them last year at 65c new price **35c per yd**

Ladies Underwear

Our stock is small but what is left goes out at net cost.

Irma Co-operative Co., Ltd.

Some goods pay more profit than others. Usually, the poorer the quality the greater the profit.

The grocer pays more for Red Rose than for other teas—and he sells it at a less profit.

When you buy Red Rose you buy the best.

Governments as Co-operators

Ten or fifteen years ago the popular demand in connection with the solution of large and grave problems affecting economic and marketing conditions in these Western Provinces was for Government ownership and operation. This demand was, perhaps, most insistently urged in connection with interior and terminal grain elevators. Today, no such demand is made, nor is there any expressed wish for the adoption of such a policy.

The reason for this marked change in public opinion is not far to seek. Manitoba tried Government ownership and operation of interior elevators, and it was far from being a success, either financially or in the character of the service rendered. Saskatchewan, on the other hand, tried the experiment of creating a large co-operative company, composed of the farmers themselves, managed and controlled entirely by farmers, but assisted with the financial backing of the Provincial Government.

From its inception the Saskatchewan experiment has been an outstanding success. That success has been due to the wholehearted and loyal manner in which the farmers have supported their one institution—something it was predicted they would not do; it has been brought about by notably careful and efficient management; and, lastly, it has been made possible because of the sympathetic treatment accorded on all occasions by the Government, which has placed the resources and credit of the Province back in the control and management of that enterprise.

Saskatchewan has borrowed millions which have been loaned to the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Co. but that Company has met every payment of principal and interest as it has become due, and the Provincial treasury and the Saskatchewan taxpayer has not been called upon to put up a dollar. In addition to these direct loans, the Government has pledged the Provincial credit for other millions by giving guarantees to the Banks for the repayment of loans made direct to the Company. It is an acknowledged fact that without this Government backing, the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Co. could never have succeeded in its earlier years, nor have achieved the fine record which stands to its credit. So successful, indeed, did the Saskatchewan experiment prove to be, that the other Provinces finally adopted it. And co-operative interior elevators have been followed by terminals owned and managed by these same companies.

The splendid results achieved by co-operative elevators led to the formation in Saskatchewan of the Province-wide co-operative creamery company, which took over all the Government owned and operated creameries, and has established many new ones and enlarged the old ones. It is repeating in its field the success of the co-operative elevator companies, and has established cold storage plants and other subsidiary enterprises.

Next came co-operative stockyards, which are yet in their infancy but which promise to become an important factor in the development and prosperity of the livestock industry of the West.

Co-operative wool marketing is now recognized as the most feasible and best method of handling the wool clip of the West, and has for some years past demonstrated its practicability by obtaining for the sheepmen of the West a higher price for raw wool than could otherwise have been secured by them.

Co-operation between Government and people has also resulted in Saskatchewan in a very rapid extension of rural telephone lines and facilities throughout the Province, bringing the farm home into immediate and direct communication with market towns, doctors and nurses, and removing to a large degree that isolation from which the farm home suffered in the past and which was one of the chief obstacles to keeping many people on the land.

The successes which stand to the credit of all enterprises in the West based on the co-operative principle have resulted in the development of a pronounced public opinion that it was far better not to rely absolutely upon a parental form of government, but by co-operation of Government and people, build up a sturdy, self-reliant Province and Dominion. Now when a difficulty presents itself, people do not look to Government for help, but demand that they solve the problems for the people, but the people themselves tackle the problem and, with Government assistance, are proving their ability to solve and overcome their difficulties.

Another valuable feature of this adherence to co-operative principles and methods is found in the practical training being afforded thousands of farmers' sons in the conduct and management of large business enterprises. The value of such training can hardly be over-estimated, and is having its effect in the adoption of more business-like methods in all departments of the farm, resulting in the saving of countless thousands of dollars in many small ways to the farmers in their own operations. Strict business methods are replacing slothful ones while at the same time the man on the land is kept in close touch with world conditions and markets, and is steadily securing a larger grasp of those economic forces which have a direct bearing on the price of his product and his resultant prosperity.

Trappers Are Disappointed

Absence of Cold Weather Has Resulted in Hides in Poor Condition.

Word has reached Regina from the northern part of the province that many who went into the hinterland of Saskatchewan and Manitoba with the expectation of gathering in pelts and bringing out a harvest in the spring have returned with their traps

in disgust. The absence of cold weather has resulted in fur-bearing animals neglecting to don their winter coats and hides are in poor condition and in some cases almost hairless. Even beaver to it is reported, has not sought underground quarters and is still blundering through the bush hunting berries.

Man was made to mourn and woman was made to see that he does it

U. S. Bank Failures

Many Canadians will be surprised to read in connection with two of the latest failures of banks in North Dakota that the capital of one is given as \$25,000 and of another \$10,000. This capitalization looks extremely small to Canadians who are familiar with banks capitalized at sums running into the millions. The American policy has been to encourage the little banks on the theory that a multiplicity of banking institutions would give an elasticity to credit and make it easier to do business.

The result has been the creation of hundreds of local banks, working on local capital, as contrasted with the Canadian system of great banking institutions, with a central organization and branches in a score of cities and towns in every province. In a period of depression scores of these small banks in the United States close their doors. Such a condition cannot but add to the panicky feeling that exists at a time when there is restricted business, unemployment and a conserving of capital. From this distance it looks as if a bank with a capitalization of \$10,000 was too much of a gambling proposition. In good times it might be all right; in hard times it becomes a menace.

Banking is a business that requires stability and the little bank, with its reserve, can hardly guarantee it.

—Winnipeg Free Press, Jan. 31, 1921.

HEART SO BAD WAS NOT SAFE TO LEAVE HER ALONE

Miss Eva P. Yatman, Krugersdorf, Ont., writes: "I feel that I must write and tell you of the great benefit I have received from Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. About four years ago I was taken terribly bad with my heart, nerves and fainting spells, and was down in bed for about six months. I doctored with two different doctors and seemed to get better, although the fainting spells would not leave me. I would get up and walk a few steps, and then I would fall, wherever I was, that it was not safe to leave me alone at any time. At last I decided to resort to proprietary medicines and took several different kinds, but seemed to receive but little benefit from them. One day, noticing the advertisement of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, I decided to try them, and before I had taken more than two boxes I could see that they were helping me. I have taken about ten boxes, and am almost cured of those terrible spells. I sincerely feel that your medicine has proved a blessing to me, and I advise anyone troubled with their heart to try them, as I am confident they will find relief."

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are sold at all dealers of mail order direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

Americans are eating 8 per cent. less meat than they did 20 years ago.

Rheumatism Relieved in 1 to 3 Days. South American Rheumatism Remedy is a wonderful medicine in the treatment of acute inflammatory rheumatism, chronic rheumatism, lumbago, neuritis, and all ailments due to rheumatism. It often cures in 1 to 3 days.

Compared with his bulk when grown up, the kangaroo is smallest when born. A baby kangaroo is only the size of a man's thumb.

STORMY WEATHER HARD-ON BABY

The stormy, blustery weather which we have during February and March is extremely hard on children. Conditions make it necessary for the mother to keep them in the house. They are often confined to overheated, badly ventilated rooms and catch colds which rack their whole system. To guard against this, a box of Baby's Own Tablets should be kept in the house and an occasional dose given the baby to keep his stomach and bowels working regularly. This will not fail to break up colds and keep the health of the baby in good condition till the brighter days come along. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Savings Of the World

Are Estimated at \$13.58 Per Capita For All Countries.

If all the money in the mutual, stock and postal savings banks in the world was equally distributed among the inhabitants of the globe, every man, woman and child would have \$13.58, according to statistics issued by the Savings Bank Association of the State of New York. The same authority shows that the 146,277,394 small savers of the world have on deposit \$23,123,285,677, a sum greater than the combined wealth of Germany, Austria, Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria. The average deposit account the world over is \$158.08.

Many clergymen in London, it is said, are paid lower wages than the street sweepers.

World Happenings Briefly Told

Mrs. Ralph Smith refused the speakership in the B.C. Legislature. New York retailers are stated to be making 30 to 40 cents profit on eggs.

The Zeppelin aircraft will be offered to other countries for commercial purposes.

The recent drop in grain quotations in Britain is expected to reduce the cost of living.

Twenty-six deaths out of 125 cases of sleeping sickness have occurred in New York.

Timber killed at \$1,000,000 has been destroyed by fire at Port Angeles, Washington.

Kansas miners of coal are striking because of the arrest of the president of their union.

Deported aliens from the U.S. plotted against Austria on board ship en route for Europe.

The Duchess of Marlborough, formerly Consuelo Vanderbilt, is preparing to leave England for good.

Ontario sheep breeders have passed a resolution calling for all cloth to be stamped as to quality.

Mrs. Edith Rogers, first woman M.L.A. for Manitoba, will second the reply to the speech from the throne.

E. H. Devlin, former member for Kintatino in the Saskatchewan Legislature, died recently at Hot Spring, Arkansas.

Losses in stolen baggage sustained last year by the five railroads with terminals in New York City were over \$5,000,000.

Sudbury, Ont., has engaged the services of a health nurse to work among the families who are not receiving proper medical attention.

A wireless telephone system to be used for communication with police patrol wagons throughout the city is being installed at Dallas, Texas.

Brantford, Ont., army and navy men are incensed over Armand Lavergne's term "British mongrels" in referring to immigrants from the British Isles.

Sugar in Newfoundland is still retailing at 25 cents a pound. The Government bought enough to last until next June and cannot release control without loss of \$120,000.

Preliminary arrangements have now been completed for the second Imperial conference of Teachers' Associations, which will be held in Toronto on August 10 to 13 of this year.

The need for sympathy, understanding and friendly co-operation between the United States and Great Britain, was the dominant note at the opening of the convention of the Junior League of America in Montreal.

The British Foreign Office issues a statement declaring to be without foundation reports published in the United States to the effect that an official of the Foreign Office had uttered a warning of the increasing seriousness of Anglo-American relations.

Public baths abound in Japan and the poorest citizen bathes usually twice a day.

Health cannot be looked for in the child that is subject to worms, because worms destroy health by creating internal disturbances that retard development and cause serious weakness. Miller's Worm Powders expel worms and are so beneficial in their action that the systems of the little sufferers are restored to healthfulness, all the discomforts and dangers of worm infection are removed, and satisfactory growth is assured.

Unauthorized Use of Name of Dominion Express Company.

Persons unknown are reported to be soliciting subscriptions for advertising space in a magazine representing it as being issued by or in the interest of the Dominion Express Company or its employees.

Upon being interviewed the management of the Company stated they had no knowledge of the magazine or its promoters, and that any representation connecting the name of The Dominion Express Company with such an undertaking were unauthorized.

In Tahiti serious crimes are punished by tattooing a mark upon the forehead of the delinquent.

Your Eyes Granulated Eyelids, Eyes inflamed by exposure to sun, dust and wind quickly relieved by Miller's Eye Remedy. No Smarting, Just Eye Comfort. At Your Druggist or by mail—per Bottle—For Back of the Eye free write to: **Marine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.**

Home Made Bread

Home made bread is without doubt the cheapest and most healthful food that can be produced for human consumption. It is the most completely digested solid food in the world, over 90% of it being transformed into health and strength. It yields nearly twice as much nourishment as rice or potatoes, and is ten times as nourishing as an equal weight of meat. No bread is more truly wholesome or more perfectly satisfactory than that baked at home in which Royal Yeast Cakes are used.

Scientists have discovered a new and truly wonderful use for Royal Yeast Cakes. Physicians are prescribing it with remarkable success for conditions attributed to poor blood conditions. Soak a cup of Royal Yeast for half an hour in a cake of luke-warm water with one teaspoon sugar. Then stir well and strain once or twice through muslin and drink the liquid. BETTER results will be obtained by allowing it to soak over night and drinking half an hour before breakfast. Repeat as often as desired. Send name and address for free booklet entitled "Royal Yeast for Better Health."

E. W. Gillett Company Limited
Toronto, Canada

Made in Canada

Too Near Big City.

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"Well, he's enrolled at Yale, but he goes to New York."—Life.

Itch Cured in 30 Minutes. Itch, Malaria, and all contagious scratches on human or animal, cured in 30 minutes by Waller's Sensitive Lotion. At Druggists.

Only the Bottom-Flat.

"Say, old man, is my tire flat?"

"Well, it's a little flat at the bottom, but the rest of it is all right."—Baltimore News.

Minard's Liniment For Diphtheria.

The most densely populated city in the world is Bombay.

There are 9,295,252 passenger automobiles and motor trucks in use in the United States, or one vehicle for every 11.8 persons.

Domestic Melody.

Mother (at phone, giving order to grocer, and scolding baby in mischief): "Send me a pound of fresh—baby!—butter and—stop that!—two dozen fresh eggs—or mother'll spank you—the last you sent were stale—you naughty boy!"

Cause of Early Old Age

The celebrated Dr. Michenoff, an authority on early old age, says that it is caused by poisons generated in the intestine. When your stomach digests food properly it is absorbed without forming poisonous matter. Poisons bring on early old age and premature death. 15 to 30 drops of "Stiegl's Syrup" after meals makes your digestion sound.

WHITE STAR YEAST

MAKES THE BEST BREAD

BREAD IS THE STAFF OF LIFE



WHY NOT HAVE THE BEST STAFF?

SAMPLES SENT

ON REQUEST

When you eat let it be the best



WAGSTAFFE'S

Pure Strawberry Jam

Pure Raspberry Jam

Made from Fruit and Granulated Sugar Only

Bottled with care in silver pans

ASK YOUR GROCER FOR IT

SAVES \$70.00

The very latest edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica may be had in what is called the Handy Volume edition at \$70.00, less than the ordinary Cambridge edition, and the more expensive one. The paper is just the same, but the margins are narrower and the type is smaller. You can buy this Handy Volume edition for \$1.00 down and the balance in small monthly payments of about 14c a day. The special easy terms puts the Britannica in every edition within the reach of everyone. Those who wish to pay cash may do so. You have heard about the Britannica since you were a child and have always wanted it—now is your chance.

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temporarily in place of coffee or tea for health reasons. But they soon learn to love its rich flavor—and its pure, wholesome qualities are so apparent that they adopt Postum as their regular meal-time beverage.

SOLD BY GROCERS EVERYWHERE

Rebellion Days, 1884-85

By O-GE-MAS-ES (Little Clerk).

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Here was war upon us with a vengeance and an active hostile for a guest, or prisoner—which? On thinking the matter over I told Mr. Indian he must stay at the house until my return, putting him on his honor to take care of my wife and children, and this they both faithfully promised.

Next morning early I started in for the Carrot River settlement, and as the ridges were bare of snow, burnt the grass en route, this being the usual native custom in the spring, as later on the sloughs were burnt round. Thus no old bottom could accumulate, and that is the great danger in a fall fire, as with several years' collection, both timber and soil will be destroyed, and, naturally, very great injury done to all fur-bearing animals.

On reaching the crossing at Carrot River, I found a number of the settlers, busily engaged in fortifying a log house. One of them dashed up to me, catching my bridle rein and shouting, "Indians in every bluff!" My reply was dry and short to the effect that I had not seen them. A number gathered round, and certainly the news was bewildering to half of it was true. Indians reported in active rebellion on all sides. Much murder and massacre amongst lone settlers and ranchers and our side badly defeated. Fort Carlton was burnt and every settler for many miles round had taken refuge in Prince Albert.

They had formed a committee of defence under Capt. Myers and these gentlemen I went to see at once. I related the facts as to the Indian at my house and asked as to what disposition had better be made of him. I also stated if they wished him brought in as a prisoner I would undertake to do it. The committee retired for a consultation, and I took a look round the premises. A small enclosure of buildings was being placed in position round the house to act as a stockade. The place swarmed with women and children. Downstairs in the house were a number of old guns and rifles, all loaded and standing loosely in the corner. Picking up one, the stock fell off. "Ah," was the remark, "you should have had the head of the nail up." The nail evidently acting as a key. There was little or no attempt at discipline, and I could by no means consider placing my family here for protection.

I was asked to come in by the com-

mittee, whose decision was that after carefully considering the question of my captive Indian who had openly declared himself a rebel, that I was to use my own judgment in the matter, but to warn him not to pass close to this fort or he would be liable to be shot.

Capt. Myers then kindly offered me the position of second in command, but this I was compelled to decline. When he pressed me for a reason I gave him several, the principal one being that his fort was not defensible.

There was no water supply, no bastions, no lookouts. In fact it was a wooden trap, and would be very easy with my family in a bluff. Also I was of the opinion that the active part of this war was not against the settler, but against the government.

The captain then asked for supplies and I told him I would be happy to bring in all surplus ammunition and food that I had in stock and take his receipts, and this he was quite pleased with.

Before I leave this brief reference to the famous fort in Carrot River, Tom McKay, that well-known lichenist, told me the ponies were hitched up and a strong party of heavily armed French half-breeds were just starting to raid this post when news of Middleton's army advance reached them and the plan was dropped.

It appeared the French knew there were a number of Orangemen in the Carrot River company, and these were particularly disliked by them, for in the old H. B. governing days this society was unknown. In fact, extreme toleration of all forms of religion was an outstanding feature of the company's rule.

I camped at Filanston's that night, two fine Ontario men who, poor chaps, afterwards perished in a vain attempt to reach the north end of Lac Du Brochet on a trading expedition, this in 1887-8. I spent the best part of one night in trying to dissuade them from trying, for they were very green as to northern conditions, but without success. These men, like myself would not go in the fort, and later on drove their fine herd of cattle out through the hills and sold them well to Middleton's army. If conditions got worse they intended going away in the hills with their cattle, but like myself they concluded victory would rest with our side sooner or later.

(To be continued)

Smuts Government Returned May Redeem

Result of South African Elections Indicates Defeat of Nationalists.

Capetown. Enormous majorities were given the South African party in Durban and Capetown while the Labor party suffered a severe reverse in the Rand district. In Capetown the South African party gained two seats; in Durban three; in the Rand eight and in East London, one.

The victory of the party headed by Prime Minister Smuts is attributed to the fact that workmen voted against the secession issue raised by General Hertzog and did not pay much attention to sectional issues raised by Labor leaders.

General Smuts, prime minister of the Union of South Africa, was elected to the House of Assembly from the district of Pretoria West. Returns indicate the South African party under the leadership of General Smuts had won a victory.

Ontario Schools Bar U.S. Book.

Toronto.—It was definitely announced by Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education, that Col. Woods' naval history, "Flag and Fleet," would be withdrawn from the list of supplementary reading books authorized for Ontario schools. This work has recently been criticized as "inaccurate and misleading" in regard to the part played by the United States navy in the recent war.

Strike Coal at The Pas.

The Pas.—Outcropping in two places close to the shore of the Carrot River, west of this place, lignite coal has been discovered by Indians and analysis proves it to be an important strike.

Crown Prince to Sail.

Tokio.—Official announcement is made that the Japanese Crown Prince will sail for England on March 4. Nothing is said relative to recent rumors that he might visit the United States during his trip to the Occident.

Women Soldiers Shot By Soviet.

Balaklava, Crimea.—Madame Rado, chief of a band in the women's military organization in the Crimea, known as the "Green Army," has been shot together with ten other members of the band.

They were accused by the Bolsheviks of organizing so-called "Soviets," as a pretext for organizing plundering expeditions and indulging in drunken orgies.

Propose Amendments for Election Laws in Dominion House.

Ottawa.—It is expected that the coming session will see some amendments to the Dominion Elections Act. In a few places, it has been found in the working of the act, in the recent by-elections, that slight changes are necessary to make it more easily workable, and therefore it is planned to place the necessary changes before the House for approval.

May Amend Election Act

Base Milk Products on Butterfat.

Toronto.—Amendments to the Dairy Standards Act, so that payments for milk and cream used for manufacturing purposes shall be on a butterfat basis, were introduced by Hon. Manning Doherty, minister of agriculture, at a meeting of the legislature committee.

Refuse to Hear Mrs. MacSwiney.

Lincoln, Neb.—The Nebraska house of representatives by a vote of 48 to 44, refused to permit Miss Mary MacSwiney, sister of the late Lord Mayor of Cork, to speak before the legislature on the Irish question.

Prince to Tour India.

London.—The London Times says it understands that the Prince of Wales has planned a tour of India in October or November next.

Belgian Workers Seize Industries.

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Shorter Working Hours in Ontario

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Toronto.—A start has been made in the direction of establishing an eight-hour day in the province of Ontario. In the legislature, Sergt-Major J. McNamara, Soldier-Labor member for Riverdale, introduced a bill which will be known as the Maximum Work Hour Day Act. It provides for an eight-hour day, exclusive of the meal hour, and for a period of rest of at least eight consecutive hours from the ending of work on any one day, to the beginning of work on the next day.

Systematic overtime will be considered illegal, except in cases of necessity, and in that case, only ten consecutive hours shall be worked.

Gets Big Share of Immigration

Half of Immigrants From Britain to Canada Secured by Ontario.

Ottawa.—Officials of the Department of Immigration and Colonization fail to confirm the statement attributed to ex-Controller H. J. Hallford, who represented the Trades and Labor Conference of Canada at the international conference in London, to the effect that seventy per cent. of the people accepted in England for emigration to Canada had selected Ontario as their destination. The official figures for the years from 1911 to the close of the last fiscal year, show that an average of forty-six per cent. of the total English emigration is destined to Ontario.

The lowest average in any year of the period was forty-three per cent, which has been the prevailing average for the last two years, and the highest was forty-nine per cent. in the fiscal year 1914-15.

Bolsheviks Want War

Four Hundred Thousand Effectives On Various Fighting Fronts of Russia.

Constantinople.—Half the Bolshevik forces are grouping for military operations, according to latest information received here, with forty divisions of the Soviet army on the Polish frontier and twelve divisions on the Rumanian frontier.

Those on the Polish front are assembling in the regions of Smolensk, Vitebsk and Orsha, the report says.

The total Bolshevik forces are estimated to number 600,000 effectives, of which 400,000 are on the various fronts of Russia.

Liquor Question in B. C.

Esquimaux Conservative Charges — Oliver Government With Side-stepping.

Victoria.—At a session of the Legislature, R. H. Popley, Conservative member for Esquimaux, charged that by referring to the liquor question in the King's speech, the government was seeking to sidestep the issue, and that it was not prepared fully to carry out the mandate of the people, as delivered in the recent plebiscite.

He demanded a proper act, properly enforced, and he characterized the administration of the present act by the Attorney-General as mere camouflage.

R. H. Neelds, Labor member for South Vancouver, remarked that as the province had approved government control of the sale of liquor, it was but reasonable that it should go further and take control of the sale of such articles as milk, coal and other necessities of life.

Japanese Reservists Revolt.

Tokio.—A special dispatch to the Jiji Shimpo, from Muroran, on the island of Yezo, says that 1,200 army reservists have revolted in criticism against the attitude of the authorities with regard to the shooting of Lieut. W. H. Langdon, of the United States cruiser Albany, at Vladivostok.

Gets Fifteen Years.

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China Protests

Chinese Government Thinks B.C. Measure Personal Affront.

Victoria.—Diplomatic protests have been made by China against British Columbia regulations prohibiting the employment of white girls in Chinese establishments, as a measure offensive to the Chinese. The complaint of the Chinese Government was laid before the British consul for foreign affairs in London, and by him transmitted to Ottawa. The British Columbia Government was notified and the whole question is now being considered by Premier Oliver and members of his cabinet. The Chinese consul claims that Clause F Municipal Act, prohibiting the employment of white girls by Chinese is ultra vires of the province.

Arrangements Made to Move All Freight Traffic at Minimum of 30 Miles Per Hour.

Winnipeg.—Western operating officials of the National Railways concluded their several days' conference with General Manager Warren in Winnipeg and have returned home to carry out new plans for improvement. The feature was the decision to replace those sections where the 60-pound steel remains, with standard 85-pound steel and complete ballasting so that freight traffic can be moved at a minimum of 30 miles. This will make less equipment necessary, by increasing speed and tonnage.

It was reported fifteen thousand more cars of coal were handled last year than in 1919, while the Hanna-Medicine Hat branch work is proceeding. Two thousand feet of the Red Deer bridge on this branch has been completed.

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Bitterness In India

Duke of Connaught Says Shadow Has Lengthened Over Face of the Land.

London.—The Duke of Connaught, informally inaugurating the Council of State and the India legislative assembly at Delhi, India, delivered a speech in which he said in part:

"Since I landed, I have felt around me bitterness and estrangement between those who have been my friends. The shadow of Armistice has lengthened over the fair face of India. I know how deep is the concern felt by the King and Emperor at the terrible chapter of events in the Punjab."

"As an old friend of India, I appeal to you all, British and Indians, to bury along with the dead past the mistakes and misunderstandings of the past; to forgive where you have to forgive and to join hands and work together to realize the hopes that arise from today."

Turk Delegates To Britain

Nationalists and Constantinople Must Appear Only One Delegation To Conference.

London.—In view of the expressed intention of two Turkish delegations, the Kemalists and the Constantinople, to appoint delegates to the London conference, Great Britain has intimated to the Constantinople Government that two separate delegations cannot be received and that they must decide between themselves which will represent Turkey.

The original invitation was sent to the authorities at Constantinople, and while hope was expressed that the Nationalists would join the Constantinople delegation, no invitation was extended to them. Official circles believe that the Nationalists and the Constantinople Government will eventually unite into one for the conference.

To Encourage Mixed Farming

Four Ministers Address Annual Banquet of the Holstein-Friesian Association.

Toronto.—Four ministers of agriculture gave addresses at the thirtieth annual banquet of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada. Hon.-Dr. S. F. Tolmie, of the Dominion Government; Hon. Walter Lee, of Prince Edward Island; Hon. Duncan Marshall, of Alberta; and Hon. Manning Doherty, of Ontario, were the speakers.

Hon. Dr. Tolmie, who is a successful breeder of Holsteins, said it was the policy of the Federal Government to encourage mixed farming with livestock as the basis. The government, he said, intended to appoint a demonstrator of the value of milk and other dairy products as compared with other articles of food with a view to encouraging the consumption of dairy products.

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Editorial Opinions.

We have been informed that a petition is being circulated purporting to ask for a better the present Alberta Liquor Act. We do not think the act is perfect or that the enforcement of the act is satisfactory but no law that can be framed dealing with the liquor traffic is of that nature. We do think the present act is better from the point of view of persons interested in temperance than any system that permits the sale of liquor legally in whatever way the control is managed.

Drunkenness is harmful to good citizenship and our parliaments are justified in placing a ban on everything that leads that way. A system of government control that falls short of prohibition is not better than a measure that does call for total prohibition for beverage purposes; and the present act calls for that. There may be law breakers who escape conviction and sell or get liquor for beverage purposes. That is not the laws fault but the fault of enforcement. What we want is better enforcement not a repeal of the law.

SPORT DOPE (By Buck)

(In good faith and without prejudice.)

If the Oil Boom ever breaks on fair Irma, we may look for a second "Trail of '98". We will send a note to "Bob Service" and have him call at our town for the purpose of writin a few more of his world famous poems. When he completes the first one we shall have another Batchelors Union and call upon our dear Brother Brownie to render it into words—as only he, is capable of doing—But we will not allow him to do his reciting while sitting on one of those slippery, jazz haunted chairs because it is so hard to keep them on their feet—and also "Brownie" we, are all learning that old faithful song, entitled "O'Canada" which so many of us could not recall on that memorable evening.

Speaking of an Oil Boom, "Fort Norman" the place of the hour, is four hundred miles north of Edmonton and just three doors this side of the North Pole. Everything is built in the town except the houses. The real estate men of the place have sold enough real estate to accommodate a population of five hundred thousand people does the wind blow there? No it doesn't blow. When a mans hat blows off, he wires back to Edmonton to have it stopped. It blows so hard, it raises the real estate. And cold, when its 30 below they call it a spring day. The land lies in all shapes—so do the real estate men. Before the boom struck that country you could see as many as three Eskimaux and a white man. But in Irma, we have every available factor that goes to make a town perfect. Good land, good people, good railway service????!!!! But aside from the railway we have everything, and above all we have the OIL only "Jawn Dee" hasn't made enough iron men yet and therefore he deprives us of what would make Irma the One and Only Town in Alberta. He won't disclose the facts that there really is Oil here—he knows and so do we. Even if we are country folks. The good old dominion government has at last given us some assistance by their latest move concerning the large companies and they have stepped on "Jawn Dee's" pet corn, for he is beginning to holler. Good Old Government, step hard and make 'em loosen up. We want to see Irma have a population of 15,000 people within three years, then and only then will we be able to pay the first instalment on our street cars.

There is a little railroad a few miles west of us running from egreville to Ryley to Camrose and Calgary. The name of the road, a branch of the G.T.P. is V. R. C. C.—(Vegreville, Ryley and Camrose and Calgary, but the people in that section of the country do not call it the VRCC, but call it h—l either way you take it.

A wireless reached us Monday the 14th inst from ten miles this side of nowhere:—as follows: "Travelling East four miles an hour; gas very low, temperature 104.7. will arrive soon. Don't worry. "George."

Evidently our worthy brother has been making very slow progress as we last heard from him at Tofield, and dispatched to him there a compass so that he might retain his direction which is a very hard thing to do under certain conditions of the atmosphere.

Don't forget the dance on Wednesday, March 2nd.

Remember, at the Spelling Bee, to be held at Ross school on Friday, there is to be absolutely no—da-n I can't mention that stuff—But it makes some good for nothing cur break up a fellowman's house and cause considerable damage to his personal belongings. Intoxication is no excuse for such behavior, for as the old saying goes, "What's in a man when he's sober comes out when he is intoxicated."

Now, what I would like to know where is all the money of this country. I haven't got it, the women spend two-thirds of it, where is the other third? They say Rockefeller has it. Yes, Rockefeller is one of the worst abused men on earth, but what does he care. The more they abuse him the more they pay for oil. Rockefeller says he "just loves to do the people." Good. Good bless poor John from "oil" blessings flow.

The twelve temptations of man:—
Eleven beers—and a woman.

The world is but a fleeting show, and no wise man regrets it; for man wants little here below, and generally always gets it.

VIKING

Knut Hagen attended the ski tournament at Edmonton last Saturday and reports it a great success.

Miss Rohans was a week-end visitor to Edmonton.

Mr. McLean of the Merchants Bank staff, was a visitor to Edmonton last of the week.

Mayor Hennesey transacted business in Edmonton the first of the week.

Mrs. Joh. Hentges and children left Sunday evening for Wilton Siding, B. C., to join Mr. Hentges.

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A. J. Harris, of the Canada Life, is back to town after being away on a business trip and states that he is glad to be home again.

Mr. James Britton, of Winnipeg, arrived last Wednesday evening to attend the funeral of his brother, the late Mr. D. A. Britton.

The snow storm that started Sunday evening and lasted over Tuesday reminds us that winter is still with us, oh, well it can't stay very much longer now, spring is waiting around the corner.

Supt. Bryan, of the Alberta provincial police was in town Wednesday and Thursday issuing permits to all those in possession of firearms. It is pointed out that a British subject may own a shot gun without a permit, but for other firearms a permit must be had. The cost is 25 cents.

The hockey team report a splendid time at Wainwright Tuesday. After the game a dance was held in the Varsity Theatre for the boys and the girls say it was some dance. The Wainwright crowd spared no pains in showing the team a good time. The team from here were, Wallace and Frank Watkins, Monte Hoskins, J. McDonald, Harland Hilliker, Geo. McLeod and Dad Harris.

The Editor is in receipt of a card from Jack Poole who is wintering at Santa Cruz, California. On the card is a picture of a bevy of "bathing beauties on the benches". We looked in vain for Jack among them, but maybe he took the picture?

Mr. and Mrs. Manford Bishop were down from Hay Creek, Alta., over Sunday visiting with relatives and friends in town and district. Mrs. Bishop was formerly Miss Ruby Draper of the Phillips district.

The funeral of the late Mr. D. A. Britton, who died suddenly last Monday evening, Feb. 7th, was held on Thursday, February 10th at the Community Church at two o'clock in the afternoon. The church was filled with sympathizing friends and relatives to pay their last respects to the departed Rev. Mr. Wheeler, pastor of the Community church, preached the funeral sermon that made a deep impression upon the gathering and the sorrowing relatives.

The choir rendered an appropriate anthem during the services. The casket was adorned with a profusion of flowers and greens.

Entertainment took place in the Viking cemetery.

The late Mr. D. A. Britton was born in Bruce County, Ontario, on February 15th, 1870. At the age of 18 years he moved to the State of Washington and lived at Spokane until coming to Viking in 1913 and took up a homestead north of town. He was a good neighbor and citizen and his untimely death has cast a gloom over the community.

The bereaved relatives left to mourn his loss are his wife and two daughters Miss Alice Hazel, and Mrs. Jos. Hoskins, residing in this community, and five brothers, Irvin, of Viking, John of Vancouver, B. C., Samuel, of Sheepshanks, Ont., James, of Winnipeg, Man. and George, of New Bridgen, Alta; also one sister, Mrs. D. McDonald, of Kinloss, Ont.

The community joins in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

The course of lectures and entertainments in Edmonton from Jan. 28 to Feb. 5th under the auspices of the Soldiers' Settlement Board, and management of the Women's Institute, for the wives of soldier settlers, was well attended and much appreciated. Lectures were given at the Memorial Hall on poetry, gardens, beautifying the home, darning, laundry, canning, bread making, dress making, babies, home nursing, and care of the sick. Most of the ladies were billeted in Edmonton homes, but some were at boarding houses and hotels. Dinner and supper were served each day by ladies of the different churches, and the Hudson's Bay Co. served dinner one day.

Those attending from Viking were Mrs. Sheppard, Mrs. Main, Mrs. Dams, Mrs. Stokes, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. C. Cliff, Mrs. Lambert, and Mrs. Orr.

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No 2	1.46
No 3	1.55
OATS	
2 CW	.39
Extra Feed	.29
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No 2	1.11
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No 3	.48
No 4	.45
No 5	.42
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No 1	1.80
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Cows	3 to 6c
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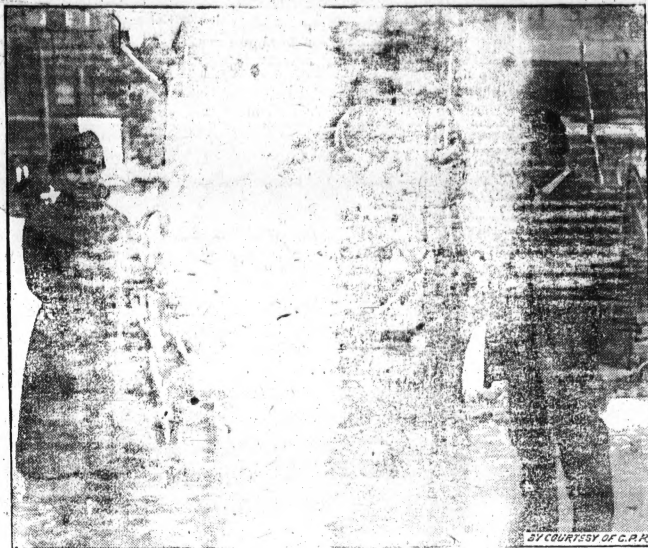
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u Cattle branded OL (half circle under-
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Will farmers having strayed cat-
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sented to members of Special Constabulary for services rendered during the war.

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of George
Armstrong, late of the Village of
Irma, Alberta, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
all persons having claims upon the
estate of the above named George
Armstrong who died on or about the
5th day of April, A. D. 1920, are re-
quired to file with the Executor, Thom-
as E. Yarr, of Irma, Alberta, by the 4th
day of April, 1921, a full state-
ment duly verified of their claims and
of any securities held by them and
that after that date the Executor will
distribute the assets of the deceased
among the parties entitled thereto
having regard only to the claims of
which notice has been so filed or
which have been brought to his know-
ledge.

Dated this 15th day of February, A.
D., 1921.

FIELDHOUSE & HUNTER,

Solicitors for the Executor,
Irma, Alberta

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NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of Howard
M. Wood late of the Village of Irma,
Alberta, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
all persons having claims upon the
estate of the above named Howard M.
Wood who died on or about the 24th
day of January, A. D. 1921, are re-
quired to file with the Executors, John
McCreadie and Thomas Slipper, of
Irma, Alberta, by the 4th day of April
1921, a full statement duly verified of
their claims and of any securities
held by them and that after that date
the Executors will distribute the as-
sets of the deceased among the parties
entitled thereto having regard only
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CHURCH NOTICES.

Sunday Services.

1 P. M. Preaching service
at Sunny Brae.3.30 P. M. Preaching ser-
vice at Roseberry.

7.30 Preaching at Irma.

...Sunday School Sessions.

Ross at 1 P. M.

Irma and Alma Mater at

2 P. M.

Roseberry at 2.30 P. M.

Everybody is invited to

these meetings.

C. G. Hockin, Pastor.

Heard Around Town

Mr. R. Goodrich has left the Irma
district, presumably for the U. S. A.
Riley failed to leave his new address.

Word reached Irma last Monday,
that Mrs. H. B. Armstrong was very
ill in Winnipeg. Flu and Pneumonia
apparently was the trouble.

The I. O. O. F. held a very success-
ful social evening in Irma last Tues-
day. A good crowd was in attend-
ance and everyone enjoyed themselves.
More snow fell the last week than
we have had all winter.

Several farmers have reported
that they have a few hogs to ship, if
the Co-op can locate enough to make a
carload, shipment will be made. Kind-
ly notify Mr. Grayden if you are in-
terested.

Mr. A. P. McLennan, who has
been relieving E. L. Hodson, teller in
the Merchants Bank, has been trans-
ferred to Mecheche, Alta.

A Meeting of the Directors of the
Irma agriculture society will be held
Saturday afternoon Feb. 19th in Co-
op hall.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Elliot left Mon-
day night for a trip to Calgary. Mr.
Elliot is a delegate to the Alberta
Fairs convention Calgary.

The following officers were elected
Mrs. J. G. Clark, Pres., F. M. Hill,
Vice Pres., C. Z. Costin, Sect-Treas.,
G. A. Sissons & M. T. Knudson Di-
rectors.

The FARMERS Mutual Telephone
held a meeting in the Co-op hall last
Wednesday. Action was taken to en-
force payment of all accounts in ar-
rears, after ten days notice if ac-
counts are not paid service will be
discontinued.

An administrators sale of the estate
of the late H. M. Wood will be held on
Wednesday, March 16th. Watch for
further advertising and bills next
week.

Irma school Board met Tuesday af-
ternoon when Mr. R. Smallwood gave
his report to the Trustees Convention
held in Calgary. The convention was
well attended and in future all School
Boards not sending delegates will be
charged the regular fee of \$2.00 to be
deducted out of Government Grant.
Mr. Smallwood thought some of the
resolutions brought in by the teachers
alliance were very drastic and one
sided, such as demanding 80 days sick
allowance with full pay, and the re-
solution to allow teachers to resign
without any notice to the school board.

STRAYED—from S. E. 2-45-10
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One two year old bay mare, Branded
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Will Hold Old-Time Spelling Match

Dear Sir—

As I am having an old fashioned "Spelling-Match" in Ross School house on Feb. 18th, will you kindly bring it to the public notice through the news columns of the "Times"?

In the first part of the contest, all school children from any district will be heartily welcome, and a story book will be awarded the scholar who spells down all others.

In the second part, young and old are invited to participate, and if all enter into the spirit of the occasion, it cannot fail to be entertaining. A book will be awarded the person who spells down all others.

No one should feel backward about taking part, as it is well known that the best

of spellers often "go down" on a very simple word, while able to spell all the difficult words.

After the spelling contest is ended, an hour will be spent in a "Song-Fest" of favorite songs that everyone loves to sing.

Ladies kindly bring refreshments.

Everybody is most cordially invited, except Messrs John Barleycorn and Moonshine, who are never welcome at Ross, but are most cordially invited to stay away.

Thanking you in advance
Yours very truly
Mrs. Wm. E. Walker,
Box 871
Irma.

For Sale—Fifty bushels of Kubanka wheat \$3.00 per bushel. J. R. Love, Irma, Al.

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ground used for drilling and development.

The lessee of the oil rights is protected by the regulations in so many ways that this amount cannot be in any way excessive. In fact if the owner of the surface rights thinks he is not getting enough rent the matter must be arbitrated and in making such valuation the arbitrators shall determine the value of the land to be used irrespective of any enhancement thereof from the existence of mineral or oil underneath. The residents of the Viking gas district have had a lot of trouble in this respect and some of them have complained that these regulations are very unjust.

The Dominion House is now in session and we would suggest that every land owner in the district write their representative to try and have the regulations changed so they will be able to get some revenue in case oil should be found in paying quantities.

Who Discovered Oil?

The Times has been asked who first made the discovery of oil in the Irma district? At present we are not able to answer this very important question, but we are going to ask our readers to give us any information they can on this and we will try and answer it later.

We have heard many rumors of land prospectors, surveyors, or trappers finding oil seepages along Grattan Coulee and taking samples of the oil with them to other parts.

This was long before the importance of an oil find was thought of, and the springs along the coulee showing oil are so numerous that we are unable to tell just who made the first find.

MR. LANGLEY ON THE WHEAT POOL.

Hon. Geo. Langley on the proposed wheat pool at the Saskatchewan convention, Moose Jaw:

Mr. Langley spoke of the dissatisfaction of the farmers with the present marketing conditions, and of the splendid work done in their interests by the Canadian Wheat Board in the sale of the 1919 crop. He also condemned in very strong terms the manipulation of wheat prices by speculators on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, and after describing the way in which they depressed the price of wheat while it was in the farmers' hands said: "No gang of bandits that ever held up a train at the point of a pistol was guilty of more moral obloquy than the gang of bandits on the Grain Exchange who are hammering down the price of wheat for the purpose of robbing the farmers."

Even with a pool, Mr. Langley said, they would have to guard against the manipulations of the speculators and unless in forming the pool they could make sure that they had sufficient funds and protection behind them they would find the pool would be squeezed out just as the farmers were being squeezed today. If they had a pool of thirty or forty milling bushels of wheat and the men who were responsible for the selling of that wheat decided to hold it, the bandits on the exchange would take the same action that they were taking now, and the pool would be squeezed out unless it had financial backing. If they were trading on funds supplied by the banks, directly the banks' funds got into danger, as they might, the banks would be a unit in forcing the pool to sell its wheat under the most disastrous conditions possible.

Relating what had happened in the Canadian Council of Agriculture, Mr. Langley said he had seconded a resolution passed some months ago declaring the belief of the council in a private co-operative method of marketing wheat. In December last, it was decided to form a committee to deal with the question, and James Robinson, managing director of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company; Mr. Maharg, their president, and himself were members of that committee. Saskatchewan had never lagged behind. That committee met in Winnipeg on the Saturday before the convention and sat for seven hours. They had decided to secure a charter from the Manitoba legislature, had discussed the provisions that the charter should contain, and set about the organizing work necessary for the formation of a pool. The work was going along as fast as it could be carried along, and there was no difference at all. Representatives of Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Ontario were all on the committee and they were all working together without the slightest sign of friction.

There were, however, many things which had to be carefully considered in connection with pooling sales. The Wheat Board had a great advantage in having control of transportation facilities, which enabled the board to order the elevator companies to deliver whatever kind or quantity of grain it wanted at the terminals or elsewhere. They could not possibly get that control with a pool unless they got it through an institution which had its headquarters on Parliament Hill. (Applause, and we will.) A pool at the best could only be a partial solution, and there were dangers in it similar to those that threatened the farmers

who held wheat today. It was only in a national system that their hope lay, but if the farmers of the western provinces would hang together on this vital matter there should be no difficulty at all.

Touching again on the question of finance, Mr. Langley said when the Co-operative Elevator Company was first established they were unable to borrow half a million dollars from the banks until the provincial government guaranteed a portion of the loan, but since that time they had never had the slightest difficulty, and had at times had a line of credit for eleven million dollars. When this wheat pool question came up, he and Mr. Dunning discussed it with the premier, and Mr. Martin said he thought the provincial government should take some steps to see what it could do and then, if its assistance was required, and if the pool was wanted by the people of the province and they asked for the assistance of the province, it would be the duty of the government to give it.

Saskatchewan Farmers Entirely in Accord with the action taken in the other Provinces.

Following resolution was carried unanimously at the Convention:

"Whereas, we wish to express dissatisfaction with the present system of marketing grain, which has proved unsatisfactory; and, whereas, we desire also to express complete faith in the ability of the organized farmers of Canada to establish a co-operative pooling system of marketing their wheat to take the place of the system now in existence; and, whereas, at the same time we wish to express our appreciation of the work already done along this line by the committee of the Canadian Council of Agriculture; therefore he it resolved that we favor the fullest measure of inter-provincial co-operation amongst the farmers' organizations in order that a new co-operative system of marketing grain in Canada should finally be established; and be it further resolved that we instruct our board of directors to co-operate with the other organizations represented on the Canadian Council of Agriculture to that end."

M. R. Jennings, editor of the Edmonton Journal since 1909, died at Victoria Wednesday morning, after a month's illness. The success of the Journal under his management is the highest tribute to his newspaper ability and integrity. He was well known by all the country newspaper men, taking a keen interest in the small town publishers' problems. He will be greatly missed at the annual conventions of publishers in which he always took a prominent part.

"Owner wishes to have offer on SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 2-48-9 W of the 4th. Estimated first class quarter." Write Mr. G. A. Cook, Box 197, Waterton, S.Dak.

If you are needing a new fanning mill it will pay you to see W. Ketchin & Co. and have them demonstrate the new Lincon Mill also the Lincon grain picker.
Editor Irma Times

Is your subscription to the Times paid? If not, do so today.

FABYAN

Miss Laura Wasse returned from Edmonton last week. She has been undergoing treatment at the General Hospital for some time for lung trouble, and came home in better health and considerably improved.

Julius Krosser had the misfortune to break his instep in loading oats. It has been put in a cast and he will be crutches for a long time.

J. J. Armstrong, a trustee of Lewisville school, went to the convention at Calgary, and reports an exceedingly interesting and instructive series of meetings.

W. Adams' store was entered not long ago in his absence by sneak thieves and some cash stolen.

Hiram Matt paid a visit to the coast this winter and has decided to move there. He has rented his place Norman Kings and will take his goods and chattels right away.

Henry Alm had the misfortune to get jammed amongst his horses and was quite badly hurt.

The Sanders family have fixed up quite a nice skating rink on the river and they and some of the neighbors young folk have fine sport there evenings.

Geo. Rysdale has returned to his farm after working in Edmonton for several months.

Mrs. Geo. Rubenok (nee Gladys Dawson) is much run down in health and is staying with her mother this winter to recuperate.

There are openings at Fabyan for a restaurant, lumber yard, black smith shop, garage, implement business, butcher shop, etc., for anyone with sufficient enterprise to get in on the ground floor.

Lewisville school is not operating at present, a teacher having not yet been secured.

August Weinried put in a well and got a good flow of water at the Lewisville school.

A movement is on foot to push a rural phone through all the country adjacent to Fabyan.

Mrs. A. G. Walker Very Ill.

Mrs. A. G. Walker, of Edmonton, formerly a resident in the northeast of town is very ill at Edmonton. Mr. T. Shaw, her brother, left last Saturday night to see her and reports that she is still very low and the doctors are afraid pneumonia was developing. Mrs. Walker had an operation about five weeks ago, and apparently was recovering until she became stricken with paralysis about a week ago.

Guild Notes

On the evening of Monday the 14th the Guild met at the home of Mrs. H. W. Love where a very enjoyable time was spent. The program consisted of Valentine games and proceedings. Quite a number were present in spite of the bad roads and cold weather. We wish to thank Mrs. Love for her home. The Guild meets next Monday evening in the basement of the church. The program for the evening will consist largely of impromptu speeches. We again extend a very hearty welcome to attend our meetings. Your attendance will be welcome, also any ideas or opinions will be gladly accepted.
Sec. Treas. Lila Maguire.

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Get a grain cleaner from J. W. Wyatt and clean your seed. Terms until fall 1921.

For sale—1 fanning mill, practically new, good running order, including sieves, etc. 1, 22 double disc drill, Monitor. Can be had at a bargain. Mat Wold, Irma.

Stray—one bay gelding, white hind feet, white strip on face no visible brand. One Hereford steer, white face, branded GX 160 on right ribs. (G is reversed with X below. John Watson, Sec. 22-46-9.

Stray—on the S.E. quarter of 22-46-9, 1, 4 year old bay gelding, hind feet white white strip on face, Clyde. No visible brand. John Watson, Irma. 44-6

Estray—on the N.E. quarter 36-47-9, one yearling steer, white face, branded 6KLR, UELH. (half diamond above K and half diamond below U.—W. H. Mathison. Orbindale. 44-6

Strayed from S. E. quarter, 30-45-9, one yearling steer, Red Poll, branded GR (bar below, and G is reversed) on left shoulder. Any information thankfully received.—J. C. Woods, Irma. 44-6

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